

REMARKS

Pursuant to this Request for Continued Examination, Applicants respectfully request the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement to be entered into the record. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$790.00 RCE fee and any additional fees to Deposit Account number 02-1818. If such a withdrawal is made, please make reference to docket number 112713-989.

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Tran for the courtesies extended during a telephone conference with Gina M. Bicknell, Ira D. Finkelstein and Examiner Tran on April 30, 2007. During this telephone conference, Examiner Tran indicated that claims 3-7, 9, 11-18, 20, 22-23, 25, 28, 39-45, and 61-62 are in a condition for allowance.

Applicants note that the preamble to claim 18 has been amended to more clearly articulate the claimed subject matter. Neither has new subject matter been added nor has the claim scope been narrowed as a result of this amendment.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 3-7, 9, 11-18, 20, 22-23, 25, 28, 39-45, and 61-62 are in a condition for allowance and respectfully request an early notice of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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